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REMARKS

This is UNEVALUATED

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1. Between 14 and 24 May 1954, the Tannenberg Kaserne [] Weimar, was occupied by a rear detail of about 200 troops, most of whom belonged to the motor transport unit and the others, to the mortar unit. No training other than physical training was observed. On 14 May, trucks [] entered the installation. 25X1
2. Between 14 and 24 May, the Luetzendorf Kaserne [] was occupied by several hundred troops. Only 25 percent of the windows of the installation were lighted after nightfall. The hospital in the west section of the installation was occupied to capacity. Eighty troops were repeatedly observed at physical training.¹ On 24 May, trucks [] which were newly painted [] entered the installation. 25X1
3. Between 14 and 24 May, the Flak Kaserne was occupied by 200 to 250 troops. Some of the troops wore tank insignia while the others belonged to the AAA unit previously observed there. No training other than drill of about 50 troops and no vehicles other than supply vehicles were observed.¹ 25X1
4. Between 14 and 24 May, the Panzer Kaserne, [] was occupied by a guard detail of 20 to 25 troops. The unit stationed there allegedly left during the night on 23 April. 25X1
5. During the period under review, the Nachrichten Kaserne was occupied by 100 troops wearing signal insignia. On 19 May, 1 officer and 30 troops marched toward Luetzendorf Kaserne.³ 25X1
6. No driving school vehicles were observed in the town during the period under review. 25X1

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1. Comment. [] previously reported the transfer, probably to Ohrdruf, of units from these three installations between 2 and 5 May. [] The observation of a mortar unit in Tannenberg Kaserne confirms the permanent location in this installation of the 581st Gds Mort Regt (US) of the 20th Gds Mech Div. The light occupation strength tends to indicate that this regiment, as the 65th Gds Mech Regt, was at Ohrdruf. The observation of troops with tank insignia in Flak Kaserne, in connection with the departure

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from this installation of a tank company on 4 May, tends to indicate that the tank battalion of the 65th Gds Mech Regt is stationed in Flak Kaserne. Further information by another source is, however, needed to definitely identify the location of the battalion. The bulk of the 13th AAA Div stationed in Flak Kaserne and Luetzendorf Kaserne is apparently also absent from the post. Elements are believed to be stationed at Wustrow and Ohrdruf.

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The Tennenberg Kaserne appeared to be occupied by only light elements of the 257th Motor Trans Bn of the Eighth Gds Army stationed there. The battalion is fairly definitely believed to be employed in supply traffic at the troop training grounds.

2. Comment. Similar observations were made in Fuerstenwalde.

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3. Comment. No information has been received on the present location of the two signal units of the army.

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